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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due dated June 4, 2004, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the herein contained amendment under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.312.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.